REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments to Claims 3, 4 and 11, be entered in order to avoid this application incurring a surcharge for the presence of one or more multiple dependent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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[7] 2. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim 1, wherein the gas contains an aromatic component.

[8] 3. (Amended) Container as claimed in [claim 1 or 2] claim 1, comprising:

a cartridge which is coupled to the base and extends from the base over some axial distance and which defines two passages, the first of which is situated in an end wall of the cartridge remote from the base and the second of which is situated in the region of the base;

which cartridge has the general shape of a beaker which beaker is coupled with the edge zone of its mouth to the base of the container by means of coupling means;

wherein the coupling means are exclusively mechanical and are embodied such that between the edge zone of the cartridge and the base of the container there remains some space, which space defines the second passage.

[9] 4. (Amended) Container as claimed in [any of claims 1 to 3] claim 1, wherein the base has an axially displaced part with at least party undercut peripheral zone; and

the edge zone takes an at least partly undercut form;

which peripheral zone and which edge zone mutually engage while retaining a clearance such that the cartridge is coupled to the base.

[10] 5. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [9] 4, wherein the coupling means comprise snap means.

[11] 6. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [9] 4, wherein at lease one of the peripheral zone and the edge zone is compressed at least partially in axial direction while enclosing the other.

[12] 7. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [8] 3, wherein the first passage has a form narrowing toward the outside relative to the cartridge.

[13] 8. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [12] 7, wherein the first passage has length of (3 ± 1) mm, an entry diameter of (0.9 ± 0.2) mm and an exit diameter of (0.25 ± 0.05) mm.

[14] 9. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [8] 3, wherein the first passage is formed by perforation.

[15] 10. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [12] 7, wherein the first passage is made by perforating with a bradawl having a conical tip.

[16] 11. (Amended) Container as claimed in [claims 8 and 10] claim 8, wherein the tip of the bradawl has a shape corresponding with the shape of the passage and is displaced relative to the end wall of the cartridge over an axial distance corresponding with the desired shape of the passage.

[17] 12. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [8] 3, wherein the exit of the first passage does not protrude axially beyond the peripheral edge of the end wall.

[18] 13. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [17] 11, wherein the end wall has a recess.

[19] 14. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [8] 3, wherein the cartridge consists substantially of the same material as the container.

[20] 15. (Amended) Container as claimed in claim [8] 3, wherein at least a part of the inner surface of the container and the surfaces of the cartridge are provided with a coating, for instance a lacquer coat.